

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:	Donald A. Ice)
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Title:	METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING)
	LEAD FRAME CONNECTORS FOR)
	OPTICAL TRANSCEIVER)
	MODULES)
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Examiner:	Minh N. Trinh)
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Customer No.:	022913)

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant submits this paper in response to the Office Action mailed August 14, 2006 (the "Office Action"). In the Office Action, the Examiner set forth a Restriction Requirement that identified what the Examiner has characterized as two (2) distinct inventions. In particular, the Examiner suggested in the Office Action that the present application contains claims directed to the following Inventions:

- I. Claims 1-10, drawn to a method for making lead frame connector, classified in class 29, subclass 827; and
- II. Claim 11, drawn to another method for lead frame connector, classified in class 29.

Applicant hereby elects Invention I (Claims 1-10) for examination, without traverse.

Applicant notes that while the election set forth herein is made without traverse, the mere fact that no traverse is made should not be construed as an assessment or judgment by the Applicant as to the merits, if any, of: the characterization of the claims and inventions advanced by the Examiner in the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action; or, any other assertions, allegations, statements or characterizations made by the Examiner in that restriction requirement.

An action on the merits of claims 1-10 and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested. In the event that the Examiner wishes to discuss any of the matters contemplated hereby, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone conversation with the undersigned.

Dated this 13th day of September, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,



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